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Penalty for daming road &c. Sec. 24. And be it enacted, That if any person or shall wilfully, by any means whatsoever, injure, impair or destroy, any, or part of any Rail-road constructed by said company under this act, or any of their necessary works, buildings, carriages, vehicles or machinery of said company, such person or persons so offending, shall each of them for every such offence, forfeit and pay to the said company a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, which may be recovered in the name of the said company by an action of debt, in the county court of Cecil county, and shall be subject to indictment in said court, and upon conviction of such offence, shall be punished by fine, and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Limitation of time to commence and complete. Sec. 25. And it be enacted, That if this road shall not be commenced in two years from the passage of this act, and shall not be finished in six years, from the time of the commencement thereof, then this act shall be null and void.

CHAPTER 288.

Passed Mar.5, 1832 An act to incorporate the Baltimore and Port Deposite Rail Road Company.

Commissioners open books.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Albert Constable, John W. Thomas, Granville S. Townsend, Henry S. Stiles, Frederick Dawson, William H. Freeman, Peter Neff and Job Smith, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners under the direction of whom, subscriptions may be received to the capital stock of the Baltimore and Port Deposite Rail Road company hereby incorporated, and they may cause books to be opened at such times and places and before such of them as they may direct for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to the capital stock of said company, after having given such notice of the times and places of opening the same as they may deem proper: and that upon the first opening of said books, they shall be kept open for at least three days, from ten o'clock A. M. until two o'clock P. M. and if at the expiration of that period, such a subscription to the capital stock of said company, as is necessary to its incorporation, shall not have been obtained, the said commissioners may cause the said books to be pened, from time to time, efter the expiration of the said three days, for the space of twelve months thereafter, or until the sum necessary to the incorporation of the company, shall be

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